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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 1, 2004, applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, Claims 1-9 and 11-17, in this application. Accordingly, Claims 10, 11, and 18 are withdrawn from the Examiner's consideration. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the non-elected claims in one or more subsequently filed divisional applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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